

**TOWN OF ARLINGTON  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Meeting Minutes  
Monday, August 4, 2014  
7:15 p.m.

Present: Mr. Byrne, Chair, Mr. Greeley, Mrs. Mahon and Mr. Dunn  
Also present: Mr. Chapdelaine, Mr. Heim and Mrs. Sullivan  
Absent: Mr. Curro, Vice Chair

**FOR APPROVAL**

1. CONSENT AGENDA (one vote required for approval of all items)
    - a. Minutes of Meetings: July 28, 2014, July 1, 2014, June 23, 2014  
Mr. Dunn moved approval of the June 23<sup>rd</sup> minutes. SO VOTED (4-0)  
Mr. Dunn moved approval of the July 1<sup>st</sup> minutes. SO VOTED (3-0-1)  
Mr. Greeley was abstained he was absent from the meeting.  
Mr. Dunn moved approval of the July 28<sup>th</sup> minutes. SO VOTED (2-0-2)  
Mr. Greeley and Mrs. Mahon abstained they were absent from the meeting.
    - b. Approval: Date Change from July 26 to September 6, Inaugural Moonlight Beach Party and One Day Beer & Wine License  
Joe Connelly, Director of Recreation
    - c. Reappointment: Human Rights Commission  
Stacy Davison  
(term to expire 6/30/2017)
    - d. Reappointment: Redevelopment Board  
Andy West  
(term to expire 6/30/2017)
    - e. Request: Contractor/Drainlayer License  
A. Cardillo & Sons, Inc., 53 Midland Drive, Waltham, MA
    - f. Request: Contractor/Drainlayer License  
Elecnor Hawkeye, LLC, 100 Marcus Blvd., Hauppauge, NY  
Request: Contractor/Drainlayer License  
A.P. Services, Co. Inc., 114 Main Street, Waltham, MA
    - g. Approval: Regent Theatre, New England Reunion Concert, Beer & Wine License  
Leland Stein, 7 Medford Street
- Mr. Dunn moved approval of consent agenda items. SO VOTED (4-0)

**APPOINTMENTS**

2. Appointment: Constable  
Tina M. Helton  
(term to expire 7/31/2017)  
Mrs. Mahon moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)

## **LICENSES & PERMITS**

3. Request: Change of Manager - Wine & Malt License  
Ricardo Ramos - Zocalo LLC d/b/a Zocalo Cocina Mexicana, 203A/B Broadway  
Mr. Dunn moved approval subject to conditions set forth. SO VOTED (4-0)

## **CITIZENS OPEN FORUM**

Except in unusual circumstances, any matter presented for consideration of the Board shall neither be acted upon, nor a decision made the night of the presentation in accordance with the policy under which the Open Forum was established. **It should be noted that there is a three minute time limit to present a concern or request.**

The following matters were presented to the Board:

- a) Begabati Lennihan from the International Global Torch Relay asked for a brief ceremony on the Town Hall Steps, Monday, August 11<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon. Mr. Chapdelaine will arrange the hosting of the relay.
- b) Scott Samenfeld, 305 Summer Street, spoke in support of saving the Silver Maples and that it's been a 10-year long struggle. He stated the Town has the opportunity to be part of the solution.
- c) David Landskov, 32 Teresa Circle, spoke in favor of supporting the Silver Maples. He also pointed out that a 50-year old flood plain analysis was used for the development plan and noted a newer one should have been used.
- d) Michele Phelan, 135 Thorndike Street, spoke on behalf of her tenant's correspondence received request for a daytime parking permit. She stated the property has no driveway and has an irregular shaped lot and one cannot be added.

## **TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS**

5. Vote: Jason Street, Phase I Recommendations  
Richard Turcotte, Howard Muise, Jeff Maxtutis  
Transportation Advisory Committee  
Mr. Byrne spoke regarding the open process and extensive research conducted by TAC and thanked them for their work. Mrs. Mahon requested that the Town Manager replace the sidewalks with thermoplastic due to it being a high traffic area as was agreed upon at an earlier Selectmen's Meeting. The Town Manager responded that an epoxy product that is similar yet less costly would be considered to repaint crosswalks in this project. Ms. Carol Forbes, resident of 143 Jason Street, expressed concerns with the survey and BOG lines. She suggested using white line markings on curb edges. Ms. Forbes also expressed concern with Phase II rotary discussion. Mr. Byrne stated that future recommendation discussion would have to wait until TAC submits Phase II-Recommendations.

Mr. Greeley moved approval of the Phase I – Recommendations (listed below) with reference to the Town Manager for Public Works timetables/schedules. SO VOTED (4-0)

## **RECOMMENDATIONS - Phase 1**

- \* DPW to install curb extensions at intersection of Jason Street/Brantwood Road
- \* All crosswalks to be painted as soon as possible
  - Jason/Spring
  - Jason/Menotomy Rocks Park (Brantwood)
  - Jason/Woodland
  - Jason/Norfolk
  - Jason/Gray
  - Jason/Irving
- \* Install seasonal pedestrian warning bollard at Menotomy Rocks Park crosswalk
- \* Add advance crosswalk warning signs on Jason Street:
  - in both directions at Woodland street
  - in both directions at Menotomy Rocks Park crosswalk
  - Northbound on Jason between Gray & Irving
- \* Replace faded or damaged signage as needed
- \* Provide temporary radar speed trailer on Jason Street NB between Spring Street and Hillsdale Road
  
- \* Install new Yield sign on Hillsdale Road approach to Jason Street intersection near traffic island
- \* Install new Intersection Warning Sign (W2-2) on the Jason Street northbound approach to Irving Street with AHEAD Supplemental Warning Plaque (W16-9P)
- \* TAC will draft a letter for the Board's consideration, to be sent by the Board to Mass DOT to provide additional signage and pavement markings to improve awareness of weave conditions on Concord Turnpike westbound between Route 2 westbound off-ramp, Spring Street connector, and Route 2 westbound on-ramp
- \* **Do not** pursue the following suggestions recommended by residents:
  - Opening Venner Road to 24-hour access from Route 2 Frontage Road
  - Closing access road onto Spring Street from Frontage Road
  - Making Jason Street and Hillsdale Road a one-way pair between Spring Street and Hillsdale Road
  - Remove double yellow center line from Jason Street

### **6. For Approval: Letter of Support, Green Routes Initiative**

Christopher Tonkin, Chair, Arlington Bicycle Advisory Committee  
Phil Goff, ABAC

Mr. Tonkin requested that the Selectmen join in with ABAC by signing a letter of support in the completion and linking of existing greenways, rail-to-rail projects, and off-road paths to create a seamless regional green routes. Mr. Goff explained this green routes initiative is working to have the state complete prior approved plans by the DCR to connect up trailways. After discussion it was agreed that ABAC will work on rewriting the letter to include language changes.

Mr. Dunn moved to have the new letter referred to the Town Manager for approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

7. For Approval: Arlington International Film Festival Banners  
April Ranck and Alberto Guzman, AIFF Organizers  
Mrs. Mahon moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)
8. For Approval: Park Avenue/Downing Square Parking Signs  
Officer Corey Rateau, Traffic and Parking Unit  
a) 3-Hour Parking Signs on Park Avenue (at Peter Pan block of stores)  
James Quinn, Lauren Dubee; Ink Jam Tattoo Studio  
b) 2 Spaces, 15 Minute Parking on Lowell Street (before hydrant @ Peter Pan)  
Mrs. Mahon moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)
9. Review and Comment on Draft CPA Ballot Question  
Douglas W. Heim, Town Counsel  
Attorney Heim discussed the ballot language for the November election submitted for the Selectmen's review and comment on the Community Preservation Act (CPA) voted in the affirmative at Town Meeting 2014, Warrant Article #22.  
Mr. Dunn moved receipt of the ballot question. SO VOTED (4-0)  
Mr. Dunn asked Town Counsel to research the ballot question order.
10. Vote: Date for 2015 Annual Town Election  
Douglas W. Heim, Town Counsel  
Attorney Heim explained the alternate election dates for 2015 and considerations. He stated that the Saturday dates of March 28, 2015 and April 18, 2015 are legally viable options that better suit the public convenience.  
Mr. Greeley moved approval to establish the date of March 28, 2015 for the Annual Town Election. SO VOTED (4-0)
11. For Approval: Authorization to Enter into Statewide Public Safety and Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement  
Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager  
Mr. Chapdelaine requested the Selectmen to authorize him to sign onto the statewide mutual aid agreements for both Public safety and Public Works. The Fire Chief, Police Chief, Director of Public Works and Town Counsel are all in favor of entering into the agreements. Entering into these agreements will allow the Town to both request and provide assistance statewide during critical incidents while affording legal protections.  
Mrs. Mahon moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)
12. For Approval: Lockeland Avenue Island Hedge Replacement  
Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager  
Mr. Greeley moved approval of removal and replacement of the Lockeland Avenue Island hedges. SO VOTED (4-0)
13. Discussion: Novus Agenda  
Steven M. Byrne, Chair  
After discussion among the Selectmen and Mr. Kurowski, it was decided to continue the trial and discuss comments from the office at the 8/18/14 meeting.

14. Discussion: Cambridge Invite to Discuss Silver Maple Forest

Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager

Mr. Chapdelaine explained that the Silver Maple Forest is a privately owned parcel of land that is primarily located in Belmont, but also partially falls within Cambridge's borders. The current owner of the parcel is proposing a development that would include approximately 300 units of housing contained within a five story building. Such development could pose both traffic related and storm water issues for Arlington, Cambridge, and Belmont along with the negative environmental impacts of deforestation.

Mr. Chapdelaine asked the Board to endorse the following action:

*That the Town of Arlington engage, through its Town Manager, in discussions regarding possible options for the preservation of the Silver Maple Forest, but at this time, not provide any financial commitment to acquiring or protecting the land.*

Mrs. Mahon moved approval of the Manger's recommended action. SO VOTED (4-0)

**Correspondence Received**

John L. Worden III, President Arlington Preservation Fund	Loan Approved for 39 Academy St. Window Replacement	Be Rec'd
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Patricia Peter 135 Thorndike Street	Daytime Parking Need	Be Rec'd
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Mrs. Mahon moved receipt of correspondence and referred Ms. Peter's request for daytime parking to the Parking Sub-Committee for review. SO VOTED (4-0)

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mrs. Mahon reported that she and the Adam Chapdelaine are meeting with Tony Barletta from the DCR and continuing discussion on the Sunnyside Avenue paving and accessibility.

Mrs. Mahon congratulated Jim Robillard on being selected and inducted into the National Coaches Hall of Fame for Babe Ruth.

Mr. Byrne congratulated and wished good luck to the Arlington National U12 – All Star Team for going to the Cal Ripken World Series.

Mr. Byrne expressed appreciation and pride for Gregg Maloley, his uncle who is currently undergoing chemotherapy treatment, and Jon Henry Byrne, his brother, for riding in the Pan-Mass Challenge this past weekend.

Mrs. Mahon moved to adjourn at 9:00 PM. SO VOTED (4-0)

A true record: Attest

Mary Ann Sullivan  
Selectmen's Office

**Next scheduled meeting of BoS August 18, 2014.**

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Agenda Item	Documents Used
1(a)	Backup Material July 28, 2014 draft minutes Backup Material June 23, 2014 draft minutes Backup Material July 1, 2014 draft minutes
1(b)	Backup Material Request Letter
1(c)	Cover Memo Davison reappointment
1(d)	Cover Memo West reappointment
1(e)	Backup Material Engineering Memo
1(f)	Backup Material Engineering Memo
1(g)	Backup Material Engineering Memo
1(h)	Backup Material One Day License Application Backup Material Security Plan
2	Backup Material Helton application, meeting notice
3	Cover Memo Police, fire, Building and Planning Inspection reports; Zocalo application
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5	Backup Material TAC Recommendations Backup Material Reference Backup Material Correspondence Britt
6	Backup Material ABAC request; Green Routes letter of support
7	Backup Material ATED Approval memo Backup Material AIFF request Backup Material Banner Policy
8	Backup Material Rateau recommendations Backup Material Ink Jam request Backup Material Pictures Backup Material picture Backup Material picture Backup Material picture
9	Backup Material Town Counsel reference
10	Backup Material Town Counsel memo Backup Material Town Meeting Bylaw, 2015 Calendar March, April
11	Cover Memo Memorandum to Board Backup Material Document for Execution Backup Material Enabling Statute Backup Material Summary of Mutual Aid Agreements Backup Material Presentation RE: Mutual Aid Agreements Backup Material Map of Participating Communities
12	Backup Material Memorandum to Board

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14	Cover Memo Cover Memo from Town Manager Cover Memo Memo from City of Cambridge <b>Exhibit Map of Silver Maple Forest</b> <b>Backup Material</b> Arlington Preservation Fund Letter, Meeting Notice
Corr. Rec'vd	Backup Material Correspondence, meeting notice